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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Army Europe Family Action Plan (AFAP) Conference 2005 Results

- 1. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the results of the 2005 Army Europe AFAP Conference. The delegates and their work group staff reviewed each of the issues submitted, prioritized them into a plan for action, and out-briefed their selected issues to the Commanding General. While not an easy task, their dedication and hard work provided a voice for improving the quality of life not only in our communities, but across the Army.
- 2. The issues prioritized into the Army Europe AFAP are as follows:
 - a. Academic Based Preschool Programs
 - b. Staffing Shortages at Child and Youth Services (CYS)
 - c. Government Quarters for Families of Deploying Soldiers
 - d. Housing Extension for Surviving Families
 - e. Receipt of Full Survivor Benefits
 - f. Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) Mail Limitations for Retirees
 - g. DoDDS Students Visiting Stateside Universities
 - h. Real life classes in DoDDS high schools
 - i. Funded Transportation for Full Time Students, Children to OCONUS Soldiers
 - j. Competitive high school baseball in USAREUR
 - k. Youth Fitness Center Usage
 - 1. Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) Overseas Assignment Process
 - m. Orthotic Coverage for Family Members
 - n. Coverage for Hearing Aids and Related Services
 - o. Military Family Mental Health Services During the Deployment Cycle
 - p. Proficiency Pay for Additional Skills
 - q. Family Separation Allowance
 - r. Overall Fitness Measurement
 - s. Postal Service to Combat Areas
 - t. First Time Military Mothers

The status (Forward to DA, Unattainable, or Active in USAREUR) of each of the above issues will be determined by the Army Europe AFAP Steering Committee which will be meeting in July 2005.

3. The dispositions for all of the issues that were received and reviewed at the 2005 Army Europe AFAP Conference are enclosed as part of this memo.

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4. Please direct questions and comments to the IMA-E AFAP Program Manager, Bernard Walker, DSN 370-8483, walkerb@ima-e.army.mil.

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Issue Number: _06-09-05
Issue Title: _Income Tax of Foreign Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) Beneficiaries
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) _Robert Mc Entire, 1 st PERSCOM, 379-6080
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? YesYes or No Issue's New Title (if applicable): _Receipt of Full Survivor Benefits
Was this issue combined with any other issues? _No If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
N/A

Issue Number: _06-10-05
Issue Title: Matching thrift Savings Plan Contributions for Military members
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Mr. Barbosa/370-8571
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues? Yes
If yes, which issue/s, issue number? 26-55-05
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. Other issues were deemed to be a more eminent priority.

Issue Number: 06-11-05

Issue Title: The German Supplementary Agreement to the SOFA affecting

dependent employment

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) None Requested

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (No)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): N/A

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? Yes

Explain: N/A

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. We concur with the staff position: Employment of non-NATO country citizens in APF and NAF positions in Germany already is possible under LN employment conditions. While membership in the civilian component entails tax and logistic support privileges, these family members already enjoy those privileges by virtue of their status as SOFA dependents. Thus in terms of SOFA status, nothing would be gained for these relatively few individuals from a change allowing their employment under US conditions. Therefore, the command should continue the hiring practices outlined in AER 690-70, and examine expanding them to improve opportunities for qualified, non-US citizen, US Forces' family members to compete for APF and NAF employment in Germany under LN conditions. Additionally, the command should encourage the acquisition of US citizenship by these family members so that those who qualify may be employed under US conditions.

Issue Number: 22-13-05 Issue Title: Compensation for Involuntarily Extended Soldiers Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Holly Gifford, 634-7500 Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes _____ or No ____ Issue's New Title (if applicable): Was this issue combined with any other issues? If yes, which issue/s, issue number? Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? _____yes____ Was it clearly written? _____yes____ Explain: Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.

Issue Number: <u>26-50-05</u>
Issue Title: Recruitment for Child Care Providers
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Sonia Bonet, 370-8178
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? YesX or No
Issue's New Title (if applicable): Staff Shortages at CYS (Child and Youth Services)
Was this issue combined with any other issues?yes
If yes, which issue/s, issue number? <u>98-29-05, 104-39-05</u>
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?yes
Was it clearly written?yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
<u>N/A</u>

Issue Number: _26-52-05
Issue Title: Department of the Army Regulation Development for Family Readiness Group Operations
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)Michael Andrews, DSN 370-8953, Ronnie
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX
Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues?No
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
AR 600-20, Army Command Policy Regulation, is being changed to add a chapter dedicated to FRG groups. This new chapter is currently being staffed army-wide. FRG groups can get additional guidance from www.myarmylifetoo.com and the "Blue Box" from the HQ USAREUR website.

Issue Number: _26-53-05
Issue Title: Family Separation Allowance Entitlements for Activation Family Care Plans
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) SFC Lowrey Finance
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes _X or No
Issue's New Title (if applicable): Family Separation Allowance
Was this issue combined with any other issues?NO
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?No
Explain: All of the important elements were present but disjointed.
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.

Issue Number: 26-54-05

Issue Title: Coverage for Hearing Aids

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Mr. George Sherman, 371-2885

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (Yes)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): Coverage for Hearing Aids and Related

Services

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? Yes

Explain: N/A

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. N/A

Issue Number: _26-55-05
Issue Title: Thrift Savings Plan Matching Funds for Service Members
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Mr. Barbosa/370-8571
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX
Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues? Yes
If yes, which issue/s, issue number? 06-10-05
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. Other issues were deemed to be a more eminent priority.

Issue Number: <u>26-56-05</u> Issue Title: OCONUS AAFES Concessionaire Pricing Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes _____ or No ___X__ Issue's New Title (if applicable): Was this issue combined with any other issues? ___no____ If yes, which issue/s, issue number? Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? _____yes____ Was it clearly written? _____yes____ Explain: Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. this issue is already resolved effective June 1, 2005

Issue Number:26-57-05
Issue Title:Transportation Policy for DA Civilians with Special Needs
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)Gary Goshorn, 06214-872532; Christa
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX
Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues?No
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
Families with special needs are authorized excess baggage when they PCS in order to accommodate any special equipment need immediately upon arrival at their new duty station. The group felt that the 18,000 lb. weight allowance given to DA Civilians was sufficient to allow for any additional equipment needed.

Issue Number:26-58-05
Issue Title:TDY Government Travel Card
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or No
Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues?
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?
Was it clearly written?
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
SME informed us that this issue was not a problem because soldiers may contact the credit company to extend the payment. Soldiers and their commanders are also sent 30 day, 60 day, and 90 day notifications of missed payment. Soldiers may also contact finance to inquire about missed payment. Bank of America and the Finance office are both willing to work with the soldier to expunge any negative credit reports which are due to Finance office late payments.

Issue Number:26-59-05
Issue Title:DFAS Recoupment Notification Process
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)SFC Lowery, DSN 379-5162
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues? _No
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
Soldiers have two months notification before debt is recouped. Soldiers can contact Finance to discuss payment options and to seek clarification of the advanced debt. DFAS Center is in the process of establishing a new finance system which will provide clarification on the LES. The tentative date of operation of the new system is October 2005.

Issue Number: _26-61-05
Issue Title: _VA Home Loan Applications from OCONUS
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)Internet (<u>www.valoans.com</u>)
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX
Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues?No
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?No
Explain: The Scope consisted of only one sentence and did not state the problem or provide any facts as to why this issue is important.
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
Issues concerning the Veteran's Administration (VA) are not within the purview of AFAP. It was recommended that individuals requiring information or assistance with this issue lobby Congress through the following organizations: National Military Family Association (www.nmfa.org), Association of the U.S. Army (www.ausa.org), Non-Commissioned Officers Association (www.moaa.org) or finally, the Military Officers Association of America (www.moaa.org).

Issue Number: 80-14-05 Issue Title: Lack of Hairdressing Services for African-Americans Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Connie Buchanan 06134-715-438 Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or No X Issue's New Title (if applicable): Was this issue combined with any other issues? ___no____ If yes, which issue/s, issue number? Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? _____yes____ Was it clearly written? _____yes Explain: Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. training process is in place with AAFES management (training mobilization team), team can be requested through the local GM (General Manager)

Issue Number: 80-16-05

Issue Title: Lack of Civilian Dental Care

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) COL Uyeno, 371-2592

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (No)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): N/A

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? Yes

Explain: N/A

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. We concur with the staff position. The current high demand for dental services by active duty personnel and their family members throughout the region preclude consideration of recommendations to allow civilian employees to schedule [priority] appointments in Army dental clinics.

Issue Title: _A guaranteed Education Tuition (GET) Program Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)	Issue Number: _80-17-05
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX Issue's New Title (if applicable): Was this issue combined with any other issues?NO If yes, which issue/s, issue number? Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes Was it clearly written?No Explain: Recommendation does not address issue. Sounds like more than one issue. Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. Scope too long, not well written, not based fact. Is important but there are more important issues There are other education benefits for family members	Issue Title: _A guaranteed Education Tuition (GET) Program
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Issue Number: 80-18-05

Issue Title: Additional Costs Resulting from VAT Taxes

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) None Requested

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (No)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): N/A

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? Yes

Explain: N/A

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. This is a localized issue. The group agrees with the staff position:

An agreement on VAT exemption already exists. The Belgian government is likely to be very resistant to granting a complete exemption, or to negotiating a separate agreement just for US personnel regarding this issue. Belgian policy makers are typically interested in scaling back tax-free privileges, not in granting new exemptions. Moreover, for political reasons. US authorities are unlikely to grant authorization to negotiate such an agreement.

The 80th ASG is examining ways to streamline the system.

Ultimately however, the VAT exemption system is a privilege administered by SHAPE, not the US Forces, so our ability to affect the underlying agreement and the administration of the system is limited.

Issue Number: <u>80-19-05</u>
Issue Title: Compensation for Active Duty Coaches
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Scott Haines 370-7272
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues?no
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?yes
Was it clearly written?yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. This issue did not take precedence however it needs to be reviewed further.

Issue Number: 80-20-15
Issue Title: Discrepancy Between Pacific and European Regions Space-A Leave Category
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)N/A
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or No _X
Issue's New Title (if applicable):N/A
Was this issue combined with any other issues? NO
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? _Yes
Was it clearly written? _No
Explain: _The second recommendation is not a recommendation at all but rather a justification
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. The issue is not an entitlement but a privilege. The re-ordering of leave Categories would not alleviate space on space-A but would make space more limited. The cultural differences between Europe is negligable as compared to disparities of the Asian-Pacific Region cultures. The issue is not recommended to be reintroduced at the next selection.

Issue Number:80-21-05					
Issue Title: Establishment of Career Incentive Proficiency Pay to Enhance Retention					
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) N/A					
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? YesX or No					
Issue's New Title (if applicable): Proficiency Pay for Additional Skills					
Was this issue combined with any other issues? _No					
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?					
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes					
Was it clearly written?Yes					
Explain: Issue was written in a clear concise manner. The topic was strong and poignant that has an extensive impact on today's force and operations.					
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.					

Issue Number: 80-22-05 Issue Title: Exclude COLA from the CDC Child Care Formula for OCONUS Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Sonia Bonet, 370-8178 Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes _____ or No ___X___ Issue's New Title (if applicable): Was this issue combined with any other issues? ___no____ If yes, which issue/s, issue number? Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? _____yes_____ Was it clearly written? _____yes____ Explain: Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. COLA will be excluded from CDC Child Care Formula starting September 1, 2005

Issue Number: 80-23-05

Issue Title: Treatment Availability for EFMP Family Members in Europe

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) MAJ Hughes, 371-3305

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (Yes)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): EFMP Overseas Assignment Process

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? Yes

Explain: N/A

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. N/A

Issue Number: _98-24-05
Issue Title: _Installation Environmental Maintenance
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)None
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX
Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues? _No
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
This problem should be addressed at the local installation level as this did not seem to be an issue in all installations.

Issue Number: <u>98-25-05</u> Issue Title: AFN Availability for Government Off-Post Leased Housing Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Sonia Bonet, 370-8178 Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or No X Issue's New Title (if applicable): Was this issue combined with any other issues? ___no____ If yes, which issue/s, issue number? Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? _____yes____ Was it clearly written? _____yes____ Explain: Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. Issue is already being worked with a 1-5 year implementation for enduring **USAREUR** communities

ssue Title: Postage				
-	xpert (Name & phone)			
	as one of the Top 5°			
	combined with any of ue/s, issue number?			
ssue Clarity: D	id delegates underst			
-	ritten?Yes wed the AFAP issue	_		
ssue Disposition	on: Explain why issu	e was NOT p	rioritized as one o	of the Top 5
workgroup AF	P Issues. If issue w	as prioritized	as a Top 5, put N	

	Number:98-27-05
Issue	Title:Tax Exemption of Medical Discharge Severance Pay
Subje	ct Matter Expert (Name & phone)
Issue	prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX
Issue'	's New Title (if applicable):
Was t	his issue combined with any other issues?NO
If yes,	, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue	Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it	t clearly written?Yes
Expla	in:
Work	Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 group AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
HOW C	loes the small amount received/taxed cause hardship?
Not th	e only option for disability compensation

Issue Number: _98-28-05
Issue Title:Living Quarter Allowance (LQA) for all Local Hires
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)Gary Goshorn, 06214-872532; Christa Pritchard, 06214-872553
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX
Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues?Yes
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?100-03-05
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written? Yes
Explain: GS-9 and above local hires are authorized LQA if hired within 12 months of separation from the Army and have transferred their Transportation Agreement from the Army to their new position. Additionally, CPAC provided us with an information paper which stated that the use of LQA as an incentive does not obligate the Army to pay all overseas employees LQA.
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.

155ue Number: <u>96-29-05</u>
Issue Title: Child Care Provider Incentives
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Sonia Bonet, 370-8178
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? YesX or No
Issue's New Title (if applicable): Staff Shortages at CYS (Child and Youth Services)
Was this issue combined with any other issues?yes
If yes, which issue/s, issue number? <u>26-50-05, 104-39-05</u>
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?yes
Was it clearly written?yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
N/A

Issue Number: _98-30-05				
Issue Title: Limited Baggage Allowance for Mobilized National Guard and Reserve Soldiers				
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) N/A				
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX Issue's New Title (if applicable):				
Was this issue combined with any other issues?No If yes, which issue/s, issue number? Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes				
Was it clearly written?Yes Explain:				

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.

It wasn't as important as our first 5 issues because this issue is already worked, it just wasn't understood. The issue for OCONUS to ship property is closed, other aspects are still open to change.

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Gary Goshorn, CPAC, 06314-872532; Christa Pritchard, 06214-872553
issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoNo
Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues?No
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
The group felt that the law requiring U.S. citizenship for U.S. government employment is an important security measure. President Bush recently decreased the length of time a foreign national must be a service member prior tapplying for U.S. citizenship. This decrease should help alleviate the government employment issue as Soldiers do not have to wait as long to become citizens.

Issue Number: <u>98-33-05</u> Issue Title: Limitation on Teacher Assignments Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Scott Haines 370-7272 Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes _____ or No ____ Issue's New Title (if applicable): Was this issue combined with any other issues? ___no____ If yes, which issue/s, issue number? Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? _____yes____ Was it clearly written? _____yes____ Explain: Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. N/A ______

Is	ssue Number: 98-34-05
ls	ssue Title: _Legibility of Household Goods Inventory Form
S	Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)
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	ssue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX
Īs	ssue's New Title (if applicable):
V	Vas this issue combined with any other issues?NO
lf	f yes, which issue/s, issue number?
ls	ssue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
٧	Vas it clearly written?No
	Explain: Recommendation is not clear.
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T to	Solution Section: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Vorkgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. The issue was not selected because it is not feasible to get all contractors to go to the same automated system or ask Army to provide automated resources. This also appears to be a personal issue.
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Issue Number: 98-35-05
Issue Title: SGLI Coverage Levels
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Daniel Barbosa/370-8571
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues? _No If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.

Several proposed bills seeking amendments to increase maximum up to 400,000 coverage. The USAREUR G1 in coordination with 1st PERSCOM will continue to monitor changes to current SGLI

Issue Number: _98-36-05
Issue Title: _Mail Limitations for Retirees
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) _Bob McEntire, 379-6080
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? YesX or No
Issue's New Title (if applicable):SOFA Limitations for Retiree Mail
Was this issue combined with any other issues? _No
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
N/A

Issue Number: 98-37-05

Issue Title: Member of Household

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) None Requested

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (No)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): N/A

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? No

Explain: The scope was incorrect.

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. There is a in-loco-parentis process currently in place for this issue. We suggest the in-loco-parentis program and procedures be briefed in the Family Care Plan.

Issue Number: 100-01-05 Issue Title: Department of Defense Education Activity School Slots Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Scott Haines, 370-7272 Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes _____ or No ___X__ Issue's New Title (if applicable): Was this issue combined with any other issues? ___no____ If yes, which issue/s, issue number? Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? yes Was it clearly written? _____yes____ Explain: Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. this issue is already active and being worked (Issue 478)

	ubject Matter Expert (Name & phone)Gary Goshorn, 06214-872532; Christa ritchard, 06214-872553
	ssue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoXssue's New Title (if applicable):
	Vas this issue combined with any other issues?Yes
_	yes, which issue/s, issue number?98-28-05
IS	ssue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
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E	xplain:
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	ssue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Vorkgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
Α	The group felt that twelve months is sufficient time for individuals with a Transportation agreement to find U.S. government employment. Given this, the employee would still be ligible to receive LQA if they are in a GS-9 or above position. Additionally, the information sheet provided indicated that if a request was made to extend the 12 mont

Issue Numi	ber:100-04-05					
Issue Title:	Enforcement	of Deploym	ent Cycle	Support P	rogram S	tandards_
Subject Ma	tter Expert (Name	& phone)	_Mike And	drews, DS	N 370-89	53
Issue priori	itized as one of th	ne Top 5?	Yes	Or	· No	_x
tssue's Nev	w Title (if applicat	ble):				
Was this is	sue combined wi	ith any othe	r issues?	Yes_		
lf yes, whic	ch issue/s, issue ı	number? _	Active Issu	e #567		
Issue Clarit	ty: Did delegates	understan	d this issu	e?Yes		······································
Was it clea	rly written?Y	es				
Explain:						
lssue Dispo Workgroup	osition: Explain v AFAP Issues. If	why issue w issue was	/as NOT pr prioritized	ioritized a as a Top !	s one of 5, put N/A	the Top 5
USAREUR (mmand issue. GEI communities to en directs enforceme	sure adhere	nce to the I	DCS Progr	am. Frag	to visit all mentation
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Issue Number: 100-05-05

Issue Title: Pregnancy and Post Partum Fitness Program

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) None Requested

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (No)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): N/A

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? Yes

Explain: N/A

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. This is a personal discretion issue. Fitness resources for the individual are available.

Issue Number: <u>100-06-05</u>
Issue Title: Equitable Distribution of CYS Fees
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Sonia Bonet 370-8178
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? YesX or No
Issue's New Title (if applicable): Flat Rates for Child Care Services
Was this issue combined with any other issues?no
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?yes
Was it clearly written?yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
N/A

Issue Number: 100-08-05					
Issue Title: Dual Military with overlapping deployments					
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)N/A					
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or NoX					
Issue's New Title (if applicable):N/A					
Was this issue combined with any other issues?NO					
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?					
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes					
Was it clearly written?No					
Explain: Too emotional to make a clear point. Second sentence in the scope is a fragment. Too much extra information in the recommendationneed to focus more on what needs to be done.					
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. The group felt that all soldiers-single, married, or dual military-have a job to do. Ready to deploy at a moments notice, to an where in the world. This issue was too personal and not hight on our list for the needs of the army.					

Issue Number:104-38-05
Issue Title: _Meal Options for Soldiers
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Mike Damico was contacted via phone
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? YesX or No
Issue's New Title (if applicable):Subsistence Entitlements for Meal Card Holders
Was this issue combined with any other issues?No
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?Yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
N/A

Issue Number: <u>104-39-05</u>
Issue Title: Child Care Center Staffing
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Sonia Bonet, 370-8178
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? YesX or No
Issue's New Title (if applicable): Staff Shortages at CYS (Child and Youth Services)
Was this issue combined with any other issues?yes
If yes, which issue/s, issue number? <u>26-50-05, 98-29-05</u>
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?yes
Was it clearly written?yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
N/A

Issue Number:104-41-05					
Issue Title:Voluntary Pregnancy Separation for "First-Time" Military Mothers					
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)					
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? YesX or No Issue's New Title (if applicable):					
Was this issue combined with any other issues?No					
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?					
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes					
Was it clearly written?					
Explain:					
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/AN/A					

155ue Nulliper. 104-42-05
Issue Title: Educational Program for Preschool-Aged Children
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Scott Haines 370-7272
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? YesX or No Issue's New Title (if applicable):
Was this issue combined with any other issues?
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?yes
Was it clearly written?yes
Explain:
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
N/A

Issue Number: _104-43-05
Issue Title: _Housing Options for Families of Deploying/ Deployed Soldiers
Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone)Kenneth Day, 370-7211
Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? Yes or No
Issue's New Title (if applicable): _Government Quarters for Families of Deployed Soldiers
Was this issue combined with any other issues? _No
If yes, which issue/s, issue number?
Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue?Yes
Was it clearly written?No
Explain: The problem was not clearly defined.
Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A.
N/A

Issue Number: 104-44-05

Issue Title: Barracks Upgrade Program

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) None Requested

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (No)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): N/A

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? Yes

Explain: N/A

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. This issue is currently being addressed. We concur with the staff position: European Region is committed to providing quality housing for our unaccompanied Soldiers using all means possible to fund repairs and improvements. Commanders have the management tools to reduce overcrowding by allowing soldiers to live off post or diverting excess AFH assets to Unaccompanied Personnel Housing.

Issue Number: 104-45-05

Issue Title: Erosion of Basic Housing Infrastructure

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) Mr. Ken Day, 370-7211

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (No)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): N/A

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? Yes

Explain: N/A

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. We concur with the staff position. Garrisons have identified their maintenance needs and IMA-Europe is working to provide additional SVQM funding for non-enduring locations to maintain and improve dwelling unit quality. A long term housing modernization program is in effect to modernize housing at enduring locations.

Issue Number: 104-46-05

Issue Title: Mental Health Providers for Deployments

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) MAJ Hughes, 371-3305

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (Yes)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): Military Family Mental Health Services During

the Deployment Cycle

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? Yes

Explain: N/A

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. N/A

Issue Number: 104-48-05

Issue Title: Unsecured Housing Areas

Subject Matter Expert (Name & phone) None Requested

Issue prioritized as one of the Top 5? (No)

Issue's New Title (if applicable): N/A

Was this issue combined with any other issues? No

If yes, which issue/s, issue number? N/A

Issue Clarity: Did delegates understand this issue? Yes

Was it clearly written? Yes

Explain: N/A

Issue Disposition: Explain why issue was NOT prioritized as one of the Top 5 Workgroup AFAP Issues. If issue was prioritized as a Top 5, put N/A. Each housing area presents a case-by-case issue. We recommend instituting and promoting SNAP and Neighborhood Watch programs.